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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

21 March 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: Brigadier General Brent Scowcroft
U.S. Air Force
The White House

SUBJECT : Additional Evidence of Continued North
Vietnamese Violations

1. Since our conversation earlier this afternoon, we have received evidence of another significant violation of the Vietnam settlement agreement which has occurred in the past few days. The headquarters of a North Vietnamese AAA regiment and several of the subordinate units have moved from southern Laos to a location five kilometers inside South Vietnam in the central highlands of MR 2.

2. In October 1972 this regiment -- the 593rd NVA AAA Regiment -- had moved from North Vietnam into the northern part of the Laos panhandle. Some time around early February of this year, the regiment began moving southward again, toward the tri-border area where Laos, Cambodia and South Vietnam meet. At that time, [] indicated that the destination of the regiment, or at least major elements thereof, was the central highlands of South Vietnam. As late as the first week of March, all our evidence indicated that the regiment was still located in Laos. From then until 21 March we received no more information on the location of the regiment's units. Airborne radio direction finding now indicates that as of 21 March (Vietnam time), the regiment's headquarters and two of its battalions are presently five kilometers inside South Vietnam in southwestern Kontum Province.

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3. It is impossible to state definitively that the regiment moved across the South Vietnamese border after the President's statement of 15 March. It must have moved, however, either in the few days just before or after the 15th. In any case, the units of this regiment have clearly not turned around and headed back whence they came as a result of the President's warning.


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TO: The Director

FROM: GACarver, Jr.

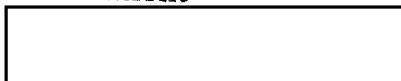
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REMARKS:

The attached was sent to Gen. Scowcroft yesterday evening (21 March) after our conversation. I called to brief him orally but he was in with the President. The secretary said she would get the note to him as soon as he arrived.

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